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LOCAL COMMISSIONER AND OTHERS RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE TO CALIFORNIA'S JUDICIARY

Riverside County: At a recent CJA (California Judges' Association) banquet in Anaheim, Judge Scott Kays, CJA President, bestowed the President's Award on the association's 2006-07 Ethics Committee. This award is given each year to recognize outstanding service to the judiciary. In addition, Judge Kays also recognized the work of all the dedicated individuals who have served on the Ethics Committee throughout the years.

Kenneth Fernandez, a commissioner with the Riverside County Superior Court and immediate past secretary of the 2006-07 Ethics Committee, was recognized along with many other past and present members.

CJA's Ethics Committee is recognized by judicial officers throughout the state for its invaluable service to the judicial community. The committee issues formal opinions, informal responses, and yearly updates on ethics issues affecting California's judicial officers. The Ethics Committee also operates a confidential hotline, which is available to all judicial officers and candidates for judicial office, including those who are not members of the California Judges' Association. Committee members respond to over 400 inquiries each year, often within 24 hours. Responses are drafted and reviewed by all members of the committee.

The California Judges' Association, a voluntary professional organization for judges of the state courts, conducts educational workshops for judges and reviews and sponsors legislation affecting the courts.

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